(b) the basis of this parameter;

(c) whether in view of area and population of Madhya Pradesh it would be sufficient to sanction bio-medical wastes units for only two hospitals; and

(d) if so, the number of hospitals in the State where bio-medical wastes units would be set up by when?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): (a) to (d) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Sonia Vihar Water Treatment Plant

†2861. SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the machines costing seven hundred crores installed at the Sonia Vihar Water Treatment Plant have got rusted and its filters have become the breeding ground for bacteria;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the justification for installing the plant before making prior arrangements of water required for running the plant; and

(d) the amount to be spent for restarting the said plant and by when it is likely to be restarted?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): (a) and (b) Delhi Jal Board (DJB) has informed that the machines installed at Sonia Vihar Water Treatment Plant have not got corroded. As there is no water in the filters, the question of the plant becoming a breeding ground for bacteria does not arise.

(c) DJB has informed that before installation of the Sonia Vihar Water Treatment Plant, the availability of raw water for this Plant was confirmed, since Tehri Dam Project was techno-economically cleared by the Central Electricity Authority subject to the agreement of the Government of Uttar Pradesh (UP) for reservation of 300 cusecs of water in the Tehri Dam to

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

meet the potable water requirement of Delhi. Government of UP has indicated its no objection to reserving 300 cusecs of water provided Delhi Administration agreed to share the cost of construction of the Dam. Delhi Administration had agreed to share the cost and deposited an amount of Rs. 5 crore with Tehri Hydro Development Corporation.

(d) DJB has intimated that no extra expenditure is to be spent on commissioning of the Plant, after raw water is made available from Tehri Dam.

Issue of receipts for security money by DMRC

2862. SHRIMATI JAYA BACHCHAN: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the consumer court has pulled up the Delhi Metro Rail Corporation for not issuing receipts for the security money deposited by the commuters while purchasing smart cards; and

(b) if so, the details in this regard and the steps taken to correct the anomaly?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): (a) and (b) Hon'ble Consumer Forum has ordered that the Delhi Metro Rail Corporation shall issue receipt to all the passengers who purchase smart card in respect of refundable security of Rs. 100/- or, in future, specify security of Rs.100/- on the Smart Card. Delhi Metro Rail Corporation has an Automatic Fare Collection system wherein, each transaction is stored in the computer in electronic form. Hence, the refundable security deposit is also in the record in the computer. Also, Delhi Metro Rail Corporation has displayed that "Security Deposit of Rs. 100/- for purchase of Smart Card is refundable" at every Customer Care Centre from where these cards are sold.

Delhi Metro Rail Corporation is now issuing Smart Cards alongwith covers/jackets indicating that the Security Deposit of Rs. 100/- is refundable and also issuing receipts for refudable security on demand.

Concession for Senior Citizens, etc. in Delhi Metro

2863. SHRIMATI JAYA BACHCHAN:Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state: